

United States Department of Agriculture

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

Agricultural Marketing Sérvice

Washington, DC 20250

Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, <u>all</u> Vendors must also be registered in the CCR, within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

This Invitation is for Small Business Set-Aside only; see FAR 52.219-6 Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside.

FV-300

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: June 14, 2007

Canned Fruit, Announcement FV-300, Invitation 183

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition program and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Thursday, June 28, 2007. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, July 13, 2007. Deliveries are to be made from January 1, 2008 to January 15, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Canned Cherries

6/#10

1.824 cases

No 8a offers will be made to 8a vendors on this invitation.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

NOTE: Funds are not presently available for contracts awarded for FY 2008. The Government's obligation for contracts issued is contingent upon appropriation of funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for these contracts and until the Contractor receives written notice of such availability from the Contracting Officer.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton, The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.



Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes which translates into a connection of https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe? Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-300, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit dated April 2004, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-300, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV300 INVITATION : 183

COMM GROUP : 30 FRUIT, CANNED

COMM TYPE : 40 CHERRIES, RED TART PITTED, CND

PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CAN

ITEM NO CI	DESTINATION	TRANS ST RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY	PERIOD 01/	01/08 - 01/15/08		
001 POMO	ONA	CA TRUCK ONLY	912	
DELIVERY	PERIOD 02/	01/08 - 02/15/08		
NORI	ISON HEIGHTS FOLK HMOND	VA TRUCK ONLY VA TRUCK ONLY VA TRUCK ONLY	482 300 130	
TOTAL QUA	ANTITY FOR C	OMMODITY TYPE	1,824	
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Felicitas C. Lofton Contracting Officer

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